Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the 1300 East/Richmond Street Reconstruction Project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Salt Lake City and is located at 3270 South 1300 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84106.

The funding is designated for: 1300 East/Richmond Street Reconstruction will improve the function, safety, and economic vitality of this deteriorated street. These 1.8-miles are an essential north/south arterial road conveying traffic from an Interstate 80 interchange and connecting between the well-established Sugar House Business District and the new center of Millcreek City. Due to this road's regional connection particularly between these two developing and redeveloping business and residential centers, 1300 East was recently studied in the multi-jurisdictional "Local Link" circulation study, a partnership between Salt Lake City, Millcreek, South Salt Lake, and Holladay. The requested funds will implement those recommendations.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: This project will reconstruct the road base, replace failing pavement, upgrade 70 year old curb and gutter, and reduce cross slope to reduce future maintenance costs while also adding pedestrian, bicycle, and transit safety improvements - including safer crossings of this busy road.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Burgess Owens

April 21, 2021